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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There is little to report about the workshop. We are still hoping to get permission to build at the Alison Homestead, but until they have agreed their lease with the Central Coast Council, we cannot negotiate our lease with the Homestead Museum. Last week Ian Stokes and I had a meeting with Dr Gordon Reid, Federal member for this area. Whilst nothing practical came from the discussion we were able to make him aware of our position and what steps we have taken so far to find a new site.

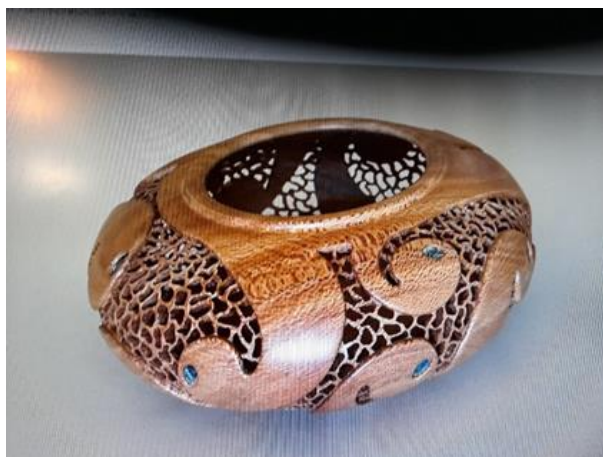


We are still receiving sensible suggestions for possible sites and Board members are following up every location. I understand that the Guides do not use the Guide hut in Ourimbah anymore. Yet another avenue of enquiry for us to pursue.

We will continue to hold our monthly meeting. Alison Homestead has kindly given us permission to use part of their building. It is very important that we keep in touch with one another and the monthly meeting is a practical way to keep members informed and up to date. A little over 20 members have attended the last two meetings and I hope that will increase as the months go by.

An important part of the meeting is 'Show and Tell'. As we no longer have a shop, we cannot give vouchers but there will still be a prize for the 'best in show'. At the last meeting I provided a burl as a prize, and future meetings will have prizes donated by members. To make it worthwhile we need more entries so come along to the meeting and put something in the 'Show and Tell'. While we do give a prize it is not really competitive. It is an opportunity for some constructive feedback for you and a chance for members to see what other members are up to.

It is quite amazing what turns up when you least expect it. Following a phone call enquiring about the next meeting Paul Cosgrave attended the meeting and entered a turned and carved bowl in the 'Show and Tell'. Needless to say, Paul walked away with the prize but he was also kind enough to give a detailed account of how he produced the 'work of art'. Hopefully this will encourage others of you to come along on the first Saturday of the month to the Alison Homestead at 10.00am.



Talking about beautiful objects, Ron Gibbs has donated an exquisite burl platter. This is to be sold to raise money for Club funds. This is a very generous donation and several other people have promised donations. We will discuss how to sell any items donated, at the next Board meeting.



Finally, I am looking forward to the resin workshop next weekend. We had eight takers, though I am still trying to identify and get in touch with the last person to give details of the venue and payment. Last week myself and three other members drove down to Timberbits. Apart from spending money it was a good way for members to catch up. If you are planning any wood related outings don't hesitate to get in touch with other members. Remember, Val is organising another lunch in June. To keep the CCWT alive we need to take every opportunity to meet up. If there are wood turning methods you would like advice on, please let us know. There might well be other members with the same need and we can organise a workshop or a demonstration.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at our next meeting Saturday May 6th 2023 at 10.00am in the Alison Homestead.

In the meantime, keep turning... Peter

**Minutes of the General Meeting
held on Saturday 1st April at Alison
Homestead.**

The meeting was opened at 10.00 am
by Peter Hamilton

Minutes taken by Carol Jennings



Show and Tell: Was conducted by Valda Barton. She commented on the quality of the work, she picked Paul Cosgrove's turned and carved bowl. Paul Cosgrove then described the process in making the beautiful and intricate bowl.

Name	Item	Woods used
Skeeta	7 lidded boxes	Recycled mahogany
Ron Gibbs	Lidded box	Pyro and colour
Ron Gibbs	Bowl	Tassie blackwood
Ron Gibbs	Vase	Jacaranda Pyro
Peter Hamilton	Pens (wine designs)	Various
Paul Cosgrove	Bowls, turned and carved hollow form work.	Banksia

Attendance: 18 members, 9 apologies, 0 associates and 0 visitors.

Welfare: Nil.

Previous Minutes: Were read by Carol Jennings. It was moved by Ron Gibbs and seconded by Graham Craike that the minutes of the monthly meeting held in March 2023 be accepted. Passed

President's Report: I am afraid there is little to report this month. We are into the period where we just have to wait for others to sort themselves out. The state election has caused a pause in negotiations with local elected members, but now that the results are in, we can start to meet with our local MPs and discuss grants. We are also waiting for the Alison Homestead and Central Coast Administration to settle the lease. Once this has been agreed we can then begin discussions with the Homestead regarding our building.

In the absence of a workshop, it is good to see that there are still groups meeting up for morning tea. It is the social aspect of the CCWT that we are missing. Many of us have lathes at home so we are able to continue with our hobby. However, it was the informal gatherings

before, during and after the workshop sessions that I miss. I am a little concerned however that we may be guilty of putting the cart before the horse. Until the Alison Homestead have negotiated their lease, we can't begin to discuss what we may be allowed to build and whether we can afford any running costs that might be involved.



I am told the CCWT existed for many years before we had a workshop. The Club existed simply on monthly meetings. That is why our monthly meetings have once again become so vital. If we are to maintain our membership, or attract new members, we need to invigorate our meetings with interesting speakers and demonstrations. We have several offers of venues but it would be helpful if members told us what would be helpful to them. I have recently been able to team up one member,

looking for instruction on sharpening a chain saw, with another member with just such experience. The two got together and now we have another member with skills in sharpening. Maybe such a demonstration would appeal to more members.

Until we had to put everything into storage, we were able to offer a door prize and 'Show and Tell prize', of a voucher for the shop. As we no longer have a shop, we have ceased these prizes. In order to increase the number of items members display in 'Show and Tell' I am donating a burl blank as a prize, if we have sufficient numbers of people showing items that they have recently turned at home.

As we approach the beginning of a new month can I urge members to attend the CCWT monthly meeting? This will be held at the Alison Homestead on Saturday 1st April at 10.00am.

I look forward to seeing you all there... Peter

Business Arising:

- President Peter stated that the last Board meeting was cancelled.
- One person has approached President Peter about being on the Fundraiser subcommittee, he asked that if you are interested can you please contact him as we need more members to be involved.

- President Peter stated the Creighton's Family Funeral ad has been placed in the Hobbyturner.
- Garry Buckman is still following up the EFTPOS machine and other alternatives to the machine.
- Graham Craike asked where the donated sale items will be sold. Garry Buckman explained that they will be sold at events such as the Harvest Festival, Knitters Guild and any other events that occur, he also added that to sell at shopping centres is too costly. Graham stated that he has spoken to his Bateau Bay Men's shed and they have offered for us to sell donated items at their next garage sale. Money received will go directly into the Building Fund. Graham will liaise with Garry with the details of the event. President Peter asked Graham to pass on our thanks for their generous invitation by Bateau Bay Men's Shed.
- Brian (Skeeta) Wilson raised the Harvest Festival stating there may be several sites for sales such as Yarramalong Hall and Jilliby. Garry raised that we must be careful not to have a conflict of venues due to having only one EFTPOS machine. He has also offered the use of his "square" as another sale device. It was also mentioned that the Timber and Working with Wood Shows have been cancelled and replaced with travelling shows by Candice Tocknell- Gray.
- Carol Jennings has now cancelled the post office box.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

- Trailer registration due 6th April 2023. Cost \$183.00. Garry Buckman paid this on 28th March 2023.

Outwards: Nil.

Business Arising from Correspondence: As above.

It was moved by Brian (Skeeta) Wilson and seconded by Valda Barton that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.



Financial Report: Garry stated we are no better off than last month.

Income in - \$110:00 and Expenditure -\$229.75 leaving a balance of minus \$119.75.

Toy Fund balance: \$3,250.42. Building Fund balance: \$110.00. Club membership renewal is due in July, cost will stay at \$45:00. Please feel free to start paying fees.

Garry stated that we still need to get full insurance as it covers members attending sales and if you are attending

demonstrations at other member's houses. This is if it is under CCWT banner and approved by the Board.

It was moved by Bob Bamforth and seconded by Valda Barton that the financial report be accepted. Passed.

Other Reports:

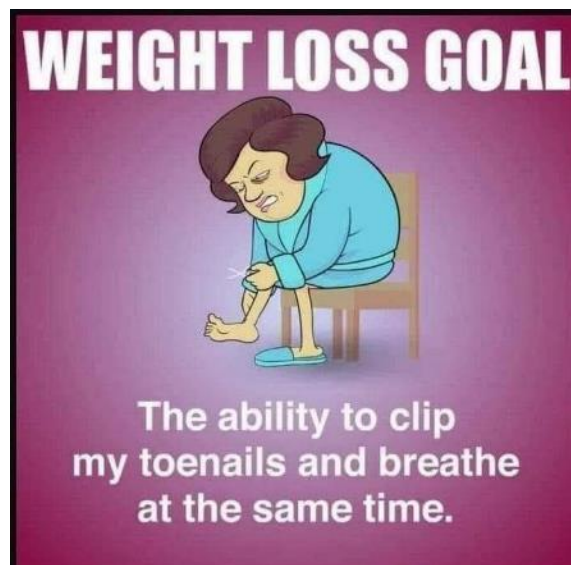
Carvers, Pyrography and Scrollers: Valda Barton stated the luncheon went well and she is organising another lunch on Saturday 10th June at Club Wyong meeting at 11:30am. Please contact Valda on 0439901804 or email Valda on vb549art@gmail.com for booking purposes. President Peter thanked Valda for organising the luncheon.

Toy Fund: John (Rooster) Lea stated there is no change. He had donated a chocolate bunny in a flowerpot for the raffle for monies raised to for the Building Fund. The raffle raised \$80:00 and was won by Garry Buckman. Valda Barton has offered to donate the next item to be raffled for the next meeting.



General Business:

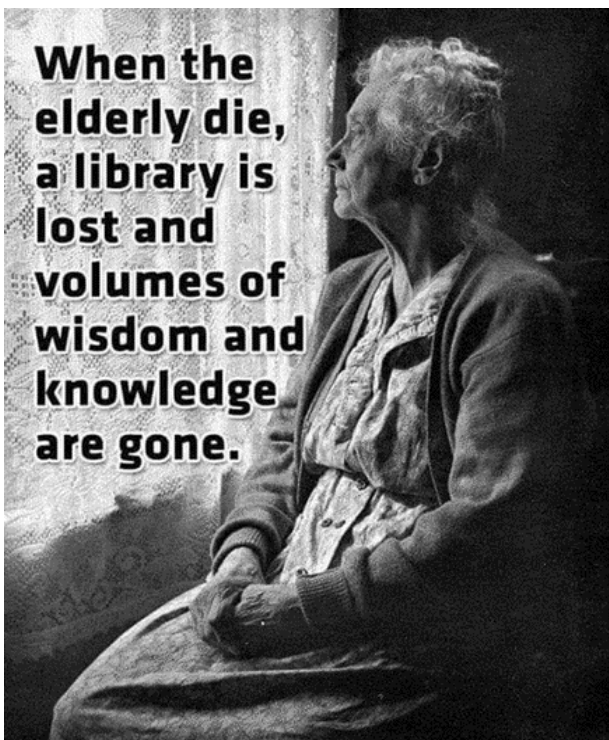
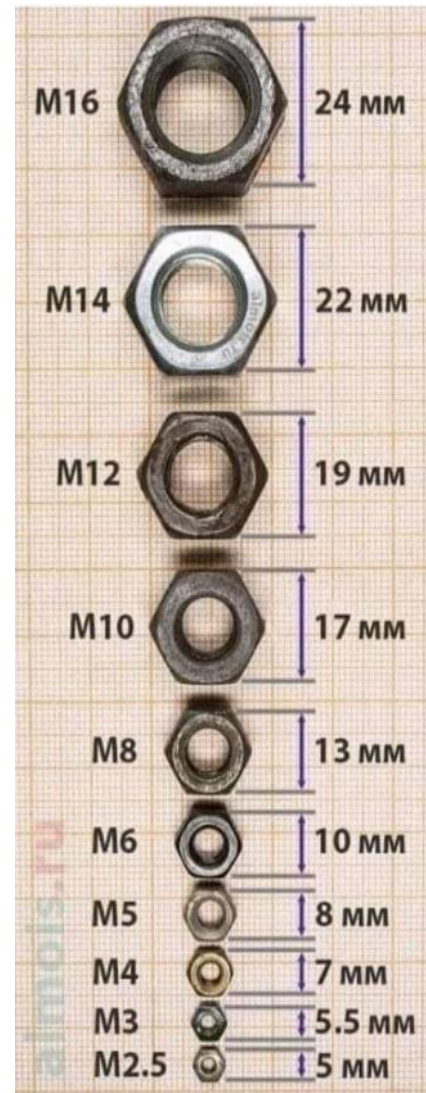
- **Hobbyturner:** Bill raised that a member was not receiving the Hobbyturner and was unsure of when the meetings are on. Bill will pass onto the person to contact Alan Smith but to check his emails. It was also stated that the meetings are always held on the first Saturday of the month at Alison Homestead starting at 10:00am. A discussion also arose about the timing that the hobby turners are sent out to members. Peter Hamilton will follow up. Carol Jennings explained the delay this month was due to her not being able to follow up her emails.
- **Workshop:** President Peter spoke about his zoom meeting with Nicola McNamara (Town planning, Wyong Council) and Mark Board, and she was very positive about the build. He stated that until council finalises the lease with Alison Homestead, we can only wait to then negotiate our lease with them, and this still may take several months. Nicola has sent a copy of their pre- DA report from the zoom meeting consisting of a 19-page document. The document was made available for members to peruse or contact Peter and he will email a copy to you if requested. If it is approved, we can then start applying for grants to cover the building costs. The DA will be free as we are a not-for-profit organisation.



- John (Rooster) Lea has also spoken with David Harris re: old Antique building as it has been gazetted for Mains Rd. Rooster will continue to follow this up. He also stated that David Harris is still following up the Dooralong PS site.
- President Peter stated that at the next Board meeting the need for a surveyor will be discussed re: surveying of the site so it can be approved, so there is no delay when it is needed. Peter also stated we are following up the school building at the Wyong Grove site.
- Garry Buckman stated that he started the Building Fund and until we finalise a location then we cannot apply for grants. If we finalise Alison Homestead, we will all need to become a member at a cost of \$15 to Alison Homestead.
- President Peter stated that Ian Stokes is re-organising a meeting with Federal member Dr Reid as the last one was cancelled.
- It was raised about tutors being available to members. It was suggested that if people wanted a tutor to contact Brian (Skeeta) Wilson to organise it with one of the tutors. The tutors are Skeeta, Ron, Garry and Rooster or contact the tutors directly.

Next Meeting: 6th May 2023 at Alison Homestead starting at 10:00am.

The meeting closed at 11:20 am



**FOR
SALE**

AEG Drop Saw and stand.
Model No PS 254 SB
Near new condition... \$400 ono.
Contact: Laurie Luthje
Ph: 43903105 or 0419409661

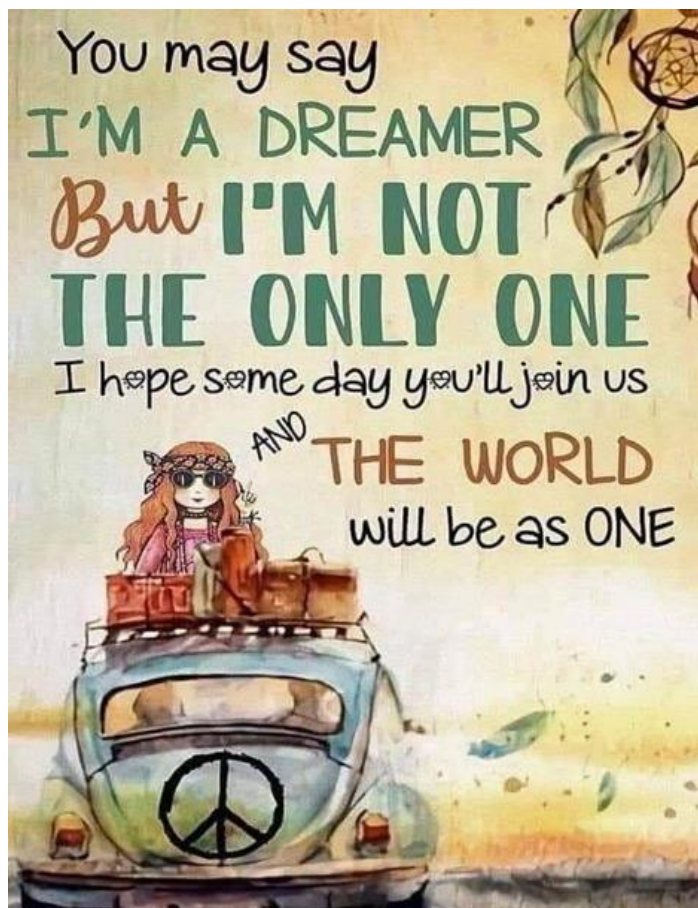


My brother took going to jail really badly. He refused food, drinks. He spat and swore at anyone who came near him and started throwing things everywhere.

After that we NEVER played monopoly again.

Oldtimers9.com

My grandfather told me that he got to see the Titanic and that from the beginning he told them not to get board because he knew it was going to sink. He repeatedly told them and told them right up to when he got throw out of the theatre.



My wife asked if she could have a little peace and quiet while she cooked dinner...

So I took the battery out of the smoke alarm!

Resin Workshop:

... at Cardiff.



Saturday 29th saw six members of the CCWT plus one guest member take a resin workshop with Chris Deards on decorating a lazy Susan. The workshop was held in the Scout Hall in Cardiff NSW but Chris is soon to move to better premises, still in Cardiff.

We were met at the workshop by Chris and had a quick coffee or tea before we got underway at 9.00am sharp. We were kitted out with aprons as with the best will in the world it was quite likely we would end up wearing some of the resin.



Chris explained in detail the process. She showed up the various products we would be using and explained the necessity of thorough mixing. She even went to far as to set the timer to ensure the resin and hardener were mixed to right consistency. The resin was a 1-1 mixture so was straight forward to measure out. Chris explained and demonstrated the whole procedure before we chose the colours

we wanted for our own 'masterpiece'. Pigments were chosen, stirred and measured out into small pots and we adjourned for morning tea.





With our boards suitably masked off, sanded and wiped down with alcohol (no tasting allowed) we commenced the pouring. No dribbling (well just a little at first) only



blobs to be poured. Resin poured and a little bling (gold) on top the real fun started. I have to say when all the resin was poured on the wooden board in blobs and puddles, I was to say the least somewhat underwhelmed with my own effort.



Next came the heat guns and the artistry flowed. Well, I think so. Using the heat-gun you were able to move the colours around, flowing to one another. You have to move fast on this process as the resin only has about 10 minutes before it begins to harden. Once satisfied with the colour mix and pattern, the lazy Susan is put away in a



drying cupboard. This process is at least overnight, better left for 24 hours.

So reluctantly we came to the end of the workshop at about 12.00pm. Fortunately, unlike at home, Chris did not expect us to clear up saying much of what we had used for mixing and covering the workbench, could be recycled in her own workspace at home.

Hopefully we will have our "Susans" in time for the Club meeting next Saturday.

I so enjoyed the workshop that I am intending to sign up for another of Chris' workshops. All her workshops can be found on line at Allettare

Dezigns. I am interested in taking part in the 'beach' workshop and before I sign-up I wonder if there are others who would like to join me. If we have 7-8 people Chris will ether block out one of the workshop dates or we can negotiate our own date. If interested go on line and email me if you want to sign up.

Possible dates: Sunday 25/6/2023 10.00am or Wednesday 5/7/2023 6.00pm.



Took me all day yesterday but finally finished. A pallet I made from an old coffee table.



My mate's wife started taking flying lessons about the time as their divorce and she got her licence shortly before their divorce was final, later that same year.

Yesterday afternoon, she narrowly escaped injury in the aircraft she was piloting when she was forced to make an emergency landing somewhere near Somersby because of bad weather. The CAA issued a preliminary report, citing pilot error: She was flying a single engine aircraft in IFR conditions while only having obtained a VFR clearance.

The absence of a post-crash fire was likely due to insufficient fuel on board. No one on the ground was injured. The photograph below was taken at the scene and shows the extent of damage to her aircraft.

She was very lucky..... Please, turn over ➔



Men don't have babies because God saw the way they handle a cold and knew the species would never survive.



“The road to success is dotted with many tempting parking spaces”... Will Rogers.

What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting	First Saturday each month. Alison Homestead, Alison.	Peter
Woodturning	As we are temporarily homeless, we are searching for new premises and there are no set workshop times at present.	Skeeta, Ron Gibbs
Scrolling		Tony Bruckard
Carving		Sue Wood
Pyrography		Valda Barton

**Note: The Club's Workshop is currently closed but we are searching for new premises.
Check with organizers for details.



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

Well, summer is over and the nights are getting a bit chilly but the days are still beautiful. So, finish stocking up on wood for both the fireplace and the workshop.

Get out there and make something wonderful. Our meetings continue all year and we need lots of items for Show and Tell.

With the winter approaching don't forget to check on neighbours, relatives and friends. Make sure that they are doing OK and see if they

need any help with anything.

As we get a little bit older, one of the most important things is to stay busy. Have a reason to get up in the morning.

If you don't have a hobby (other than woodworking) then get one. If you have several hobbies but still spend a lot of time just sitting around, then get another one, or find a good cause that is close to your heart and donate some volunteer time.

Keep your brain active too.

Read books, do puzzles, crosswords or jigsaws. Keep the little grey cells active.

If you need a chat, then phone a friend, or better still go out for a coffee as a group... the more the merrier.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

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Q: What do toy trains and boobs have in common?

A: They are both intended for children but it's the fathers who end up playing with them.